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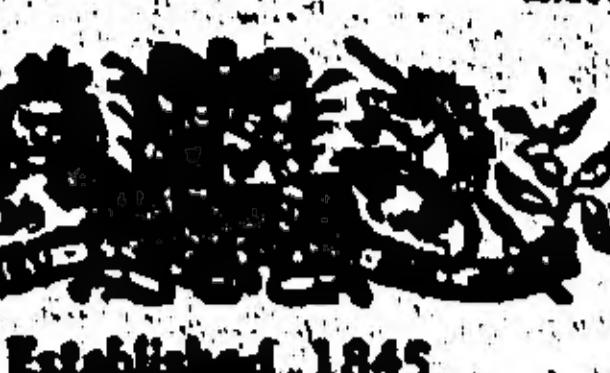
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Soft Voices
Or Babel?

THE world awaits with some curiosity and considerable interest the Afro-Asian conference which opens in Bandung next week. Much oratory, some of it inspired by sincere idealism, some a mere masquerade for political propaganda, is assured. But what the conference is likely to achieve defies pronouncement at this stage.

Mr Nehru, it is predicted, will be the dominant figure at the discussions, yet it must not be forgotten that the formidable personality of Mr Chou En-lai will also be present and Mr Chou is not likely to concede the limelight to the Indian Prime Minister, however friendly they may be. The drama of the conference may well revolve around the struggle, cloaked behind soft phrases, between these two men for the leadership at Bandung.

THE Indian delegates are taking with them a statement of policy known as the Five Principles, which are: territorial sovereignty, integrity, non-aggression, non-interference and mutual respect. These are not original precepts for conditioning relations between states. But they can be given, and often have been given, widely differing interpretations. Thus what Mr Chou means when he verbally subscribes to such principles may, and probably does, differ from what Mr Nehru means when he extols the same virtues. The Indian Prime Minister believes in them as ideals which must be attained; the Chinese Premier, earthily and "realistic" is more likely to conceive them as useful political expediences, not forgetting, of course, their fine propaganda value.

Between India's neutralism and Communist China's anti-West bombast, will come, it is to be hoped, some moderating and sensible contributions from other representatives who appreciate the unreality of the one and the untruthfulness of the other. Japan will be in a strong position to exert some useful influence on the thinking of the conference, and to help keep the discussions within the compass of practical and constructive ideas.

THE bitter subject of colonialism is certain to be given considerable airing. The Iraqi delegation have already promised that, and they are assured of vociferous support from the Vietnamese representatives. But colonialism is so obviously on the way out as an instrument of political policy, that the countries at the Bandung conference which have already been freed from its yoke, can hardly give more than formal lip service to demands which some delegates may make for its total and immediate abolition.

Whatever outward facade is preserved, the conference is not likely to be smooth going. Several countries have already indicated they are attending with hard and fast determination about what they will and will not agree. Thailand has bluntly declared that anything proposed which is outside the framework of the United Nations Charter will forfeit her approval. Communist China, not being a member of UN, and therefore no subscriber to the Charter, can be expected to sneer at any such interpretation of the conference's functions.

The voices of the Afro-Asian nations are going to be heard, but it will come as no surprise if they sound like a tower of babel.

Air India Constellation Crash: Peking Radio Charges

U.S. ACCUSED OF 'MURDER PLOT'



Hongkong Responsible
CHINA DEMANDS PUNISHMENT
OF CHIANG, AMERICAN AGENTS

London, Apr. 12. Communist China tonight accused United States agents of causing the crash of an Indian airliner in the South China Sea on Monday and said it held British authorities in Hongkong responsible.

Eight Chinese officials were aboard the plane en route to the Afro-Asian Conference in Bandung, Indonesia. The plane crashed on its way from Hongkong to Djakarta.

The New China News Agency quoting a Foreign Ministry statement described the crash as a "murder" plotted by American and Chinese Nationalist agents.

It demanded that British d'Affaires promised to notify the British authorities in Hongkong by cable, it added.

The Ministry said the crash was "by no means a common aircraft accident, but is murder deliberately engineered by a secret agent organization of the United States and Chiang Kai-shek."

The agency claimed that before the plane took off the Chinese Government learned there was a plot to sabotage it.

Last Monday the matter was brought to the attention of the British Charge d'Affaires in Peking and he was asked to have the British authorities in Hongkong take counter measures.

After enquiring and learning which air company owned the plane, the British Charge

demanded that British d'Affaires promised to notify the British authorities in Hongkong by cable, it added.

"Nevertheless secret agent organizations of the United States and Chiang Kai-shek succeeded in the plot."

"The British authorities in Hongkong have a serious responsibility for the unfortunate incident," the agency declared.

"We demand that the British Government and the British authorities in Hongkong conduct a thorough investigation into this incident and arrest and punish according to law the secret agents which took part in this sinister plot."

It said the object of the plot was "to murder members of the Chinese delegation headed by the Premier Chou En-lai and to have the Asian-African conference."

The agency declared that the conference "cannot be obstructed or sabotaged" by the work of agents and that the result instead would be to strengthen "united action of the peoples of Asia Africa and the whole world to win peace and freedom."

The plane, an Air India Constellation, carried eleven passengers and a crew of seven. It crashed about 100 miles north of Kuching, Sarawak. Six survivors have been picked up.

The agency identified the passengers as Shih Chin Ang, Li Chao Chu and Chung Pu Yun, staff members of the Chinese delegation; Shen Chien Tu, Hwang Tso Mei, Tu Hung, Li Ping and Ho Feng Ke, all correspondents; Vuong Minh Phuong, staff member of the North Vietnamese delegation to Bandung and Ereni Staritz and Frederick Jensen. It said Staritz and Jensen are Austrian.

The Government was requested to take appropriate precautions.

'PLANE EXPLODED' PEKING SAYS

The following is the full text of the Chinese Foreign Ministry statement on the Indian plane crash: "Staff members of the delegation of the Government of the People's Republic of China to the Asian-African conference, a staff member of the delegation of the Vietnam Democratic Republic and Chinese and Foreign correspondents accompanying them to cover the conference, eleven persons in all, left Hongkong at 12 hours (Peking time) on April 11 in an Air India International Constellation passenger plane, chartered by the Chinese delegation, for Djakarta and from there to Bandung."

While flying over the sea North-west of Sarawak, North Borneo, the plane exploded and caught fire and fell into the sea. The fate of all the persons aboard the plane is unknown. "The unfortunate incident is by no means a common aircraft accident, but is a murder deliberately engineered by a secret agent organization of the United States and Chiang Kai-shek."

"The murder of the members of the delegation of the People's Republic of China by secret agent organizations of the United States and Chiang Kai-shek is not only a frenzied demonstration of hostility against the People's Republic of China, but also an underhand act to sabotage the forthcoming Asian-African conference. The Asian-African conference, which is about to begin, comprises 29 Asian and African countries having a total population of 1,440,000,000 and enjoys the warm support of the wide masses of Asian and African peoples and the peace-loving people of the whole world."

"DASTARDLY ACTS." "It absolutely cannot be obstructed or sabotaged by any ignominious plots of the United States and the Chiang Kai-shek brigands. The delegation of the People's Republic of China will resolutely strive together with the delegations of other countries to the Asian-African conference, for peace in the Far East and throughout the world."

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PLOT DISCOVERED

"Prior to the departure of these staff members and correspondents the Government of the People's Republic of China had already learned that secret agent organizations of the United States and Chiang Kai-shek were actively making arrangements to wreck the Indian planes chartered by the Chinese delegation so as to carry out their scheme to assassinate the members of the Chinese delegation headed by Premier Chou En-lai and to sabotage the Asian-African conference."

"Therefore, at 0930 (Peking time) on April 10, the office of the British Charge d'Affaires in Peking was informed by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the People's Republic of China and requested to bring this to the attention of the British authorities in Hongkong and to ask them to take measures to ensure the safety of the above mentioned staff members and correspondents."

State Department Says:

Outrageous Suggestion

Washington, Apr. 12. A State Department spokesman said today the Chinese Communists were making "an outrageous suggestion" in accusing the United States and the Nationalists of responsibility for the crash of an Indian Constellation airliner.

The spokesman in Washington said: "There is not the slightest foundation in the world for such an outrageous suggestion."

In London the British Foreign Office said tonight it was awaiting a full official report from Hongkong before commenting on the Chinese charge that anti-Communist agents sabotaged the airliner.

Diplomatic observers ridiculed the charge that the crash was due to American agents working in Hongkong. —Reuter.

HK Govt Reveals Precautions At Kai Tak

The Government of Hongkong was informed over the weekend in a telegram from H.M. Charge d'Affaires at Peking that the Chinese Ministry of Foreign Affairs had received information that trouble might be made by Chinese Nationalist sympathizers for a group of journalists leaving Hongkong for the Bandung Conference by an Air India International plane.

The Government was requested to take appropriate precautions.

It was added that the Chinese Ministry of Foreign Affairs believed that the New China News Agency in Hongkong would know where the journalists were staying and the time of their departure.

During the morning of Monday, April 11 a representative of the New China News Agency telephoned a senior Police officer to inform him that eleven journalists and a Vietnamese delegate would be travelling by an Air India aircraft leaving Hongkong early that afternoon.

A naval spokesman confirmed Dampier had three survivors aboard Captain M.C. Dixit, colonel the Flight-Navigator J.C. Patak and ground engineer A.S. Karlik travelling as a passenger. But there was no confirmation or report that three other survivors suffering from serious injuries had been picked up by another vessel.

A naval spokesman here said three survivors aboard the Dampier were all suffering from light though their injuries were slight. —Reuter.

India To Launch Investigation

New Delhi, Apr. 12. The Indian Government published a communiqué today in which it expressed its sorrow for the accident which occurred when an Air India Constellation airliner crashed into the sea off the coast of Borneo yesterday with 18 people aboard.

The communiqué said the government wished to express its profound sympathy to the parents of the crash victims and to the governments of the countries to which they belonged.

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• Pictured above is a Constellation similar to the one that crashed (Caption on back page, Col. 5).

DULLES' PLAN FOR FORMOSA SETTLEMENT

Washington, Apr. 12. The Secretary of State, Mr John Foster Dulles, under public pressure from Mr Adlai Stevenson today lifted slightly the heavy curtain of secrecy surrounding American efforts to bring about a peaceful Formosan settlement.

He identified the proposals made last night by the former Democratic Presidential candidate as "the very approaches" which the United States government is "actively exploring."

The carefully-prepared statement which Mr Dulles volunteered to his press conference gave a deeper international significance to the Formosan peace plan of Mr Stevenson.

In effect that plan provided for:

1. The United States, its allies, the "uncommitted states" and possibly the United Nations General Assembly to guarantee Formosa against attack pending some final settlement.

2. Nationalist China to abandon their reliance on the islands of Quemoy and Matsu on the grounds that the international guarantee would make them no longer essential for the defence of Formosa, and

3. The United Nations to decide the permanent future of Formosa.

He gave some support to the idea of a joint guarantee on Formosa in a guarded reference to the fact that the United States was seeking "more free world support" for the defence of Formosa.

He acknowledged that Quemoy and Matsu might not be indispensable.

He reiterated the United States desire for a "United Nations ceasefire" and a "peaceful rather than a war-like settlement." —Reuter.

MASS ARRESTS IN EAST GERMANY Round-up Of 521 Agents

Berlin, Apr. 12. East Germany tonight announced 521 recent arrests of alleged agents working for Britain and America and threatened measures which would have "undesirable consequences" for West Berliners.

Espionage centres had considerably increased their activities since ratification of the East German Democratic Republic.

It demanded "immediate dissolution of all espionage and sabotage organization in West Berlin."

Frequent similar demands have been made by the Soviet authorities in past years, but Western allied authorities have insisted that the anti-Communist groups confine themselves to propaganda activities.

East Germany's declaration said the State Security police had recently smashed a large number of espionage and terror groups. —Reuter.

The pilot, 1st Lieutenant B. L. Johnson of the 37th Fighter Interceptor Squadron, was flying between 100 and 120 miles high tension cables, each carrying 132,000 volts, today—and lived.

His wing clipped the lower cables. There was a vivid white flash. The live wires fell sizzling to the ground setting grassland alive. Parts of Ipswich were cut off from power supplies. Johnson flew on and landed safely. He climbed un-hurt from his machine, which suffered "very minor damage."

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Seven victims were members of one family. They were Gilbert Abel, 42, his wife Madeline, and their five children—three boys and two girls—ranging in age from five to 16 years.

One other body also was found in the ruins: firemen said it was not immediately identified. —United Press.

The plane came in on a scheduled flight from India a few minutes after noon and was due to take off shortly after 1 p.m.

Additional Police precautions were taken to ensure that the party was not molested at the airport.

During the time the plane was here, it was under Police guard under the command of an Inspector and no unauthorized person was allowed or attempted to approach or board it.

REMAINED ON BOARD

The Manager and other officials of Air India and crew members of the plane were present and supervised every aspect of refuelling and servicing.

A member of the crew remained on board throughout the actual handling of the luggage and passengers was done under the supervision of China Travel Service and senior officials of Air India.

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LYNCHED FOR
WITCHCRAFT

Paris, Apr. 12. Two farmers accused of witchcraft were hanged by gourdes on Juarez Public Square, 100 miles from Queretaro, Mexico.

The hanging was only known a week later when about 30 persons considered as responsible for it were brought under strong escort to Queretaro jail.

Two brothers, Alfredo et Martiniano Sanchez, who were running a farm near Juarez and against whom were publicly accused of casting spells. Excited peasants decided to dry them out and there experienced the two brothers to death. They were hanged immediately on trees in the public square—France Presse.

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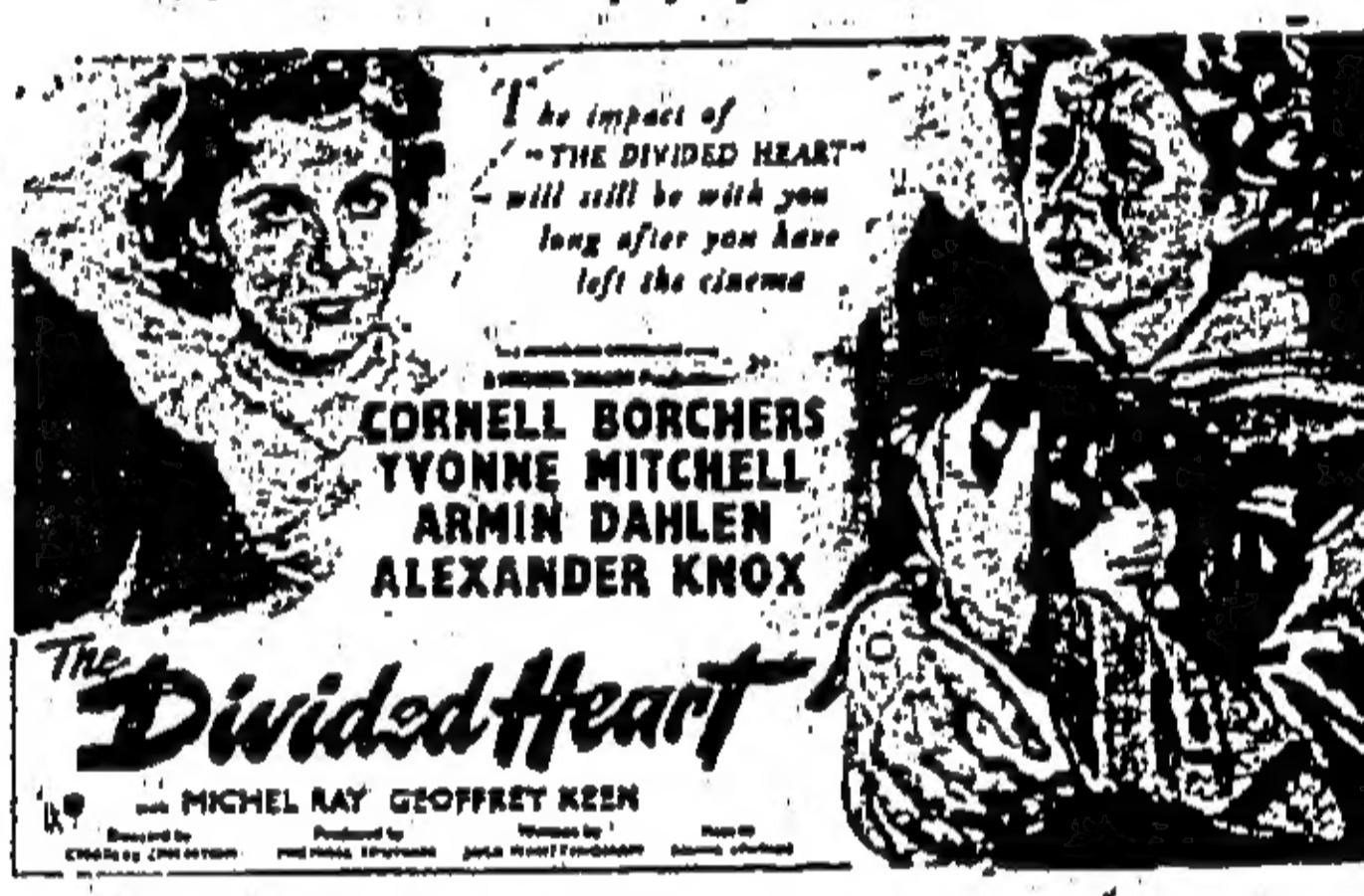
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Attack On Germany Would Prove "Very Costly"

Bonn, Apr. 12.

Any attack launched now against West Germany would prove very costly for the aggressor, Lt-General Anthony McAuliffe, Commander-in-Chief of American Forces in Germany, declared here today.

There is no comparison, said Gen. McAuliffe, speaking to a luncheon of foreign newsmen, between the single police brigade scattered along West Germany's eastern border and capable only of withdrawing to defend the left bank of the Rhine in 1950, and current American ground forces.

Now, he said, there are four infantry divisions and one armoured division, three motorised cavalry regiments, and an armoured group including three battalions of medium-powered tanks, and anti-aircraft brigade, and several battalions of reinforcement artillery. All units have their own combat forces.

PREDICTION

By the end of 1955, there will be two more infantry divisions, two armoured divisions, and an airborne division, Gen. McAuliffe predicted.

The present American strength would not, however, be enough to defend West Germany against a wide-spread attack, the General continued, but it is enough to defend every inch of land now occupied.

And, he added, North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO) forces has said that NATO

strength has increased to three or four times what it was four years ago.

American strategy, he said, calls for a defence of West Germany and the Far East as,

"The Daughter of Mata-Hari"

with English subtitles

"The End of the Affair"

"The Empire"

"The Duo-Drama"

"The Face"

HE DEBUNKS THAT GODIVA RIDE

By J. W. TAYLOR

MR John B. Shelton is City Chamberlain of Coventry, and he has started one of the fiercest controversies the city has known for some time. He says his researches have led him to believe that Lady Godiva never made her famous ride on horseback in the wherewithal at all.

After Coventry basking 900 years in the literary warmth of the Godiva legend, this Shelton broadside has really set the citizens seething. Had they not recently, by public popular vote, caused the city's new residential hotel—the first to be built in Britain since the war—to be named Hotel Leofric, after the beloved Godiva's husband? Coventry without the Godiva legend, indeed. Why, the city would be bereft, not to say denuded, at such a calamity!

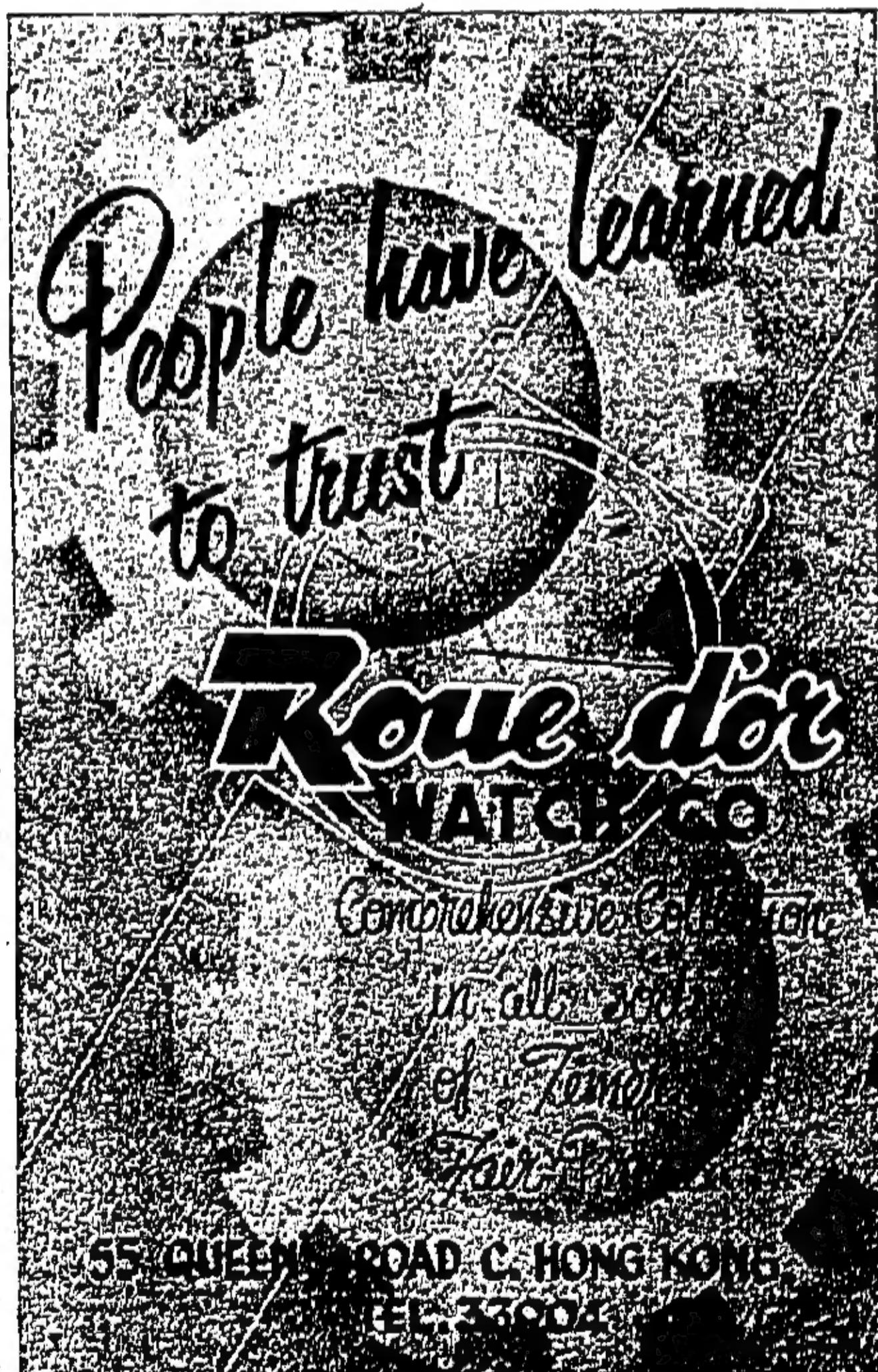
To allow the Shelton bombshell to simmer a little, it would be as well to insert here a historical note. In his "Curiosities of Literature," Distrell wrote about the Godiva ride: "This anecdote seems to be fictitious, from its extreme barbarity, but the character of the Middle Ages will admit of any kind of wanton barbarism."

City Chamberlain Shelton is no mere sensation-monger, but an expert whose views must command attention. For more than 40 years he has probed into the city's history, delving deep into numerous books and ancient documents, and sometimes digging with a spade wherever a historical discovery might be made.

IN NOTTINGHAM

And after long and thoughtful attention to the equestrian journey, which has for so long provided Coventry with a symbol and a legend known throughout the civilised world, the City Chamberlain concludes: "I do not believe that Lady Godiva did ride naked through our streets, or at all."

Mr. Shelton does not leave it at that, but states that his researches show that at the time the Danes destroyed Coventry in 1068, Lady Godiva was living in Nottingham and directing the building of the fortifications there. He deems the lady to have been 26 years of age. Therefore, it being an established fact that she did not go to Coventry till 1042, Mr. Godiva made with nothing on.



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Nathaniel Gubbins

WHY are you looking Alfred Lord Tennyson to write "The Charge of the Light Brigade"? The Poet Laureate had just received his yearly barrel of sack. That night Gubbins and Tennyson tapped the barrel and went on a whale of a bender. The next morning the Queen sent a message to say she wanted some heroic stuff written about a shocking stuff written in the Crimea. She wanted it quickly, too, because anything that would make a defeat look like a victory was essential to soothe the anger of the mob.

So if you are 40 years old you can look forward to happy days when you are 65, just in time, maybe, to draw a double old-age pension.

If you are 50 life will begin for you at 75. If you are 60 life will begin at 85. And if you are 75, boy, oh boy, oh boy (or girl, oh girl, oh girl), you will now be living in Utopia when you're 100.

When will life begin for Gubbins? Can he look forward to Mr. Butler's 1980? Although he has no intention of revealing his great age he can tell you that he fought without distinction at the Battle of Waterloo. He was hiding under Wellington's horse and fought his way to the rear when things were getting a bit dangerous.

It can now be revealed that it was to Gubbins that Queen Victoria said: "We are not amused." Gubbins was trying to be funny even then. He had just asked her a new riddle: "Why did the chicken cross the road?"

It can also be revealed that it was Gubbins who helped

Alfred Lord Tennyson to write "The Charge of the Light Brigade". The Poet Laureate had just received his yearly barrel of sack. That night Gubbins and Tennyson tapped the barrel and went on a whale of a bender. The next morning the Queen sent a message to say she wanted some heroic stuff written about a shocking stuff written in the Crimea. She wanted it quickly, too, because anything that would make a defeat look like a victory was essential to soothe the anger of the mob.

Tennyson had a paralysing hangover. So had Gubbins. But together, groaning at the desk, they turned out what is now recognised as the worst poem written in the English language.

Gubbins could tell you a lot more about his long life, his violent arguments with Gladstone, the passes he made at Mrs. Siddons and Lily Langtry, but it would be nothing compared to what he is going to tell people in the golden year of 1980.

Then at the age of let us say, 250, and with the national income doubled, the ancient Gubbins will demand double money for a sparkling column called "I Remember. I Remember."

He will demand double money for television interviews informing people travelling on the rebuilt railways how passengers were choked to death by dust or died miserably of food poisoning on the South-Eastern section of British Railways in 1955. In these interviews he will bore people through half a dozen wars, telling outrageous lies about all of them.

As people will believe anything but the truth the life of Gubbins will become a legend. It will be filmed in colour, three dimensions, and on ice. Gladstone and Tennyson on ice will be something new even in 1980.

So clasp hands all those who are likely to see this wonderful year and join Gubbins in thanking Mr. Butler for his kind and encouraging words.

No doubt Mr. Selman will say that it has been done in the interests of scientific research, but if this is so there is a case for shooting not only on the private lives of all animals and birds but on the private lives of men and women by those interested in human behaviour.

In these enlightened times you can hear more bad news in 15 minutes by turning a radio knob than a man living in an earlier century would have heard in a lifetime. Before tidings of disaster and sinister goings-on in foreign parts were flashed round the globe in seconds people could live in peaceful ignorance not only of what was happening abroad but in their own country.

This may be one of the reasons why old Tom Parr, whose life story has been recently retold, lived to the age of 152.

Old Tom was born in Shropshire in 1483, when Edward IV was on the throne. When he grew up he worked on a farm, living mainly on coarse bread, milk and whey.

Kings and queens were crowned and died. Henry VIII bumped off his wives one by one; wars were fought at home and in France. Old Tom kept till the same acres, not caring what happened outside the village.

Up to the age of 75 he was still a bachelor and probably thought of nothing much but turnips and mangold-wurzels, but at the age of 80 he suddenly thought of something else. He married a Miss Jane Taylor.

If a film like this were ever shown there would be questions in Parliament and an outcry in the newspapers. In-dignant leading articles would be written about the sacred rights of privacy with reminders that an Englishman's home is his castle.

In all fairness may I plead that a bird also has a right to privacy and that a woodpecker's nest is his castle?

As the film took two years to make many unfortunate incidents must have been recorded. Is it too much to hope that, as it is now only 20 minutes long, much that should not be seen by prying eyes has been deleted?

I remain, sir,

Yours faithfully,

A. BIRD

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STASSEN—THE MAN WITH A DREAM

By Les Armour



TWENTY years ago, the youthful, boyish-faced Attorney for Dakota County, Minnesota, stepped out his office one morning to find a throng of armed and angry farmers demanding his life.

The young man spoke quietly and precisely. "Go home," he said. "I'll do what I can for you."

They went.

Most of the farmers probably couldn't have explained why they wanted Harold Stassen's life. Still less could they explain why they went home quietly. Except that Harold Stassen isn't the kind of man you can meet face to face and stay angry with for long.

Today Stassen faces a situation alarmingly like his encounter with the lynch mob in Dakota County.

As the world's first "Minister for Disarmament" his job is, at root, to make the world's statesmen go home quietly and think things over.

BITTER

Like the Dakota County farmers, who were bitter and angry because they had nowhere to sell their milk, the statesmen probably couldn't tell you just why they want to set the world afire. Above all, none of them could say just why he thinks blowing mankind off the face of the earth with hydrogen bombs is going to help achieve any of his aims.

Nobody thinks Harold Stassen is going to pull any miracles out of the hat. But if he can convince the world that the United States genuinely wants to disarm, it is just possible that some people will go home quietly.

And he may be just the man to do it.

His father was a Minnesota market gardener of mixed Czech and Norwegian parentage who rose to be three times Mayor of St. Paul. His mother was German.

Stassen himself is a typical product of the American melting pot—the product of the right to the American mid-West from the pressures and terrors of a battered Europe.

He left school at 14 to take over the family farm when his

father fell ill. Two years later But Stassen reasoned that he had made enough money to keep the family going while he moved on to the University of Minnesota.

There, he worked as a greaser boy at a bakery, a grocery clerk and a Pullman car conductor to keep himself alive while he studied.

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As it happened, Wilkide didn't get elected—and there was something else to complete after Pearl Harbour.

Stassen resigned his Governorship and joined the Navy. He became Assistant Chief of Naval Staff, collected a chestful of medals (mostly for action in the Pacific near the Philippines) and disappeared from the political world.

He declared war on vice, virtually eliminated graft and stamped out prostitution.

At 31, he ran for the Governorship of Minnesota. Old-hand politicians in the Democratic ranks laughed. Nobody had ever been Governor of a U.S. State at 31.

But Stassen won by the largest majority ever recorded in the State—290,000.

During the campaign, he insisted on keeping his speeches down to 20 minutes and on shaking the hand of every voter who turned up at his meetings. He proclaimed few startling policies; he promised only honesty. The voters liked it.

In 1948, still only 33—he was then manager for Wendell Willkie at the Republican convention. Minnesota politicians wanted him to try for the Presidential nomination himself.

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him, a man you can trust for good. It is possible that even Mr. Molotov will find it a little hard to disbelieve when they meet face to face.

Only the mild blue eyes soften his appearance.

Behind it all is the stern Baptist upbringing, the rigid moral code of American Protestantism, the uncompromising honesty which characterises the mid-West.

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It is just possible that Stassen will do the job.

JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Don't Let Your Foe Steal Bridge Hand

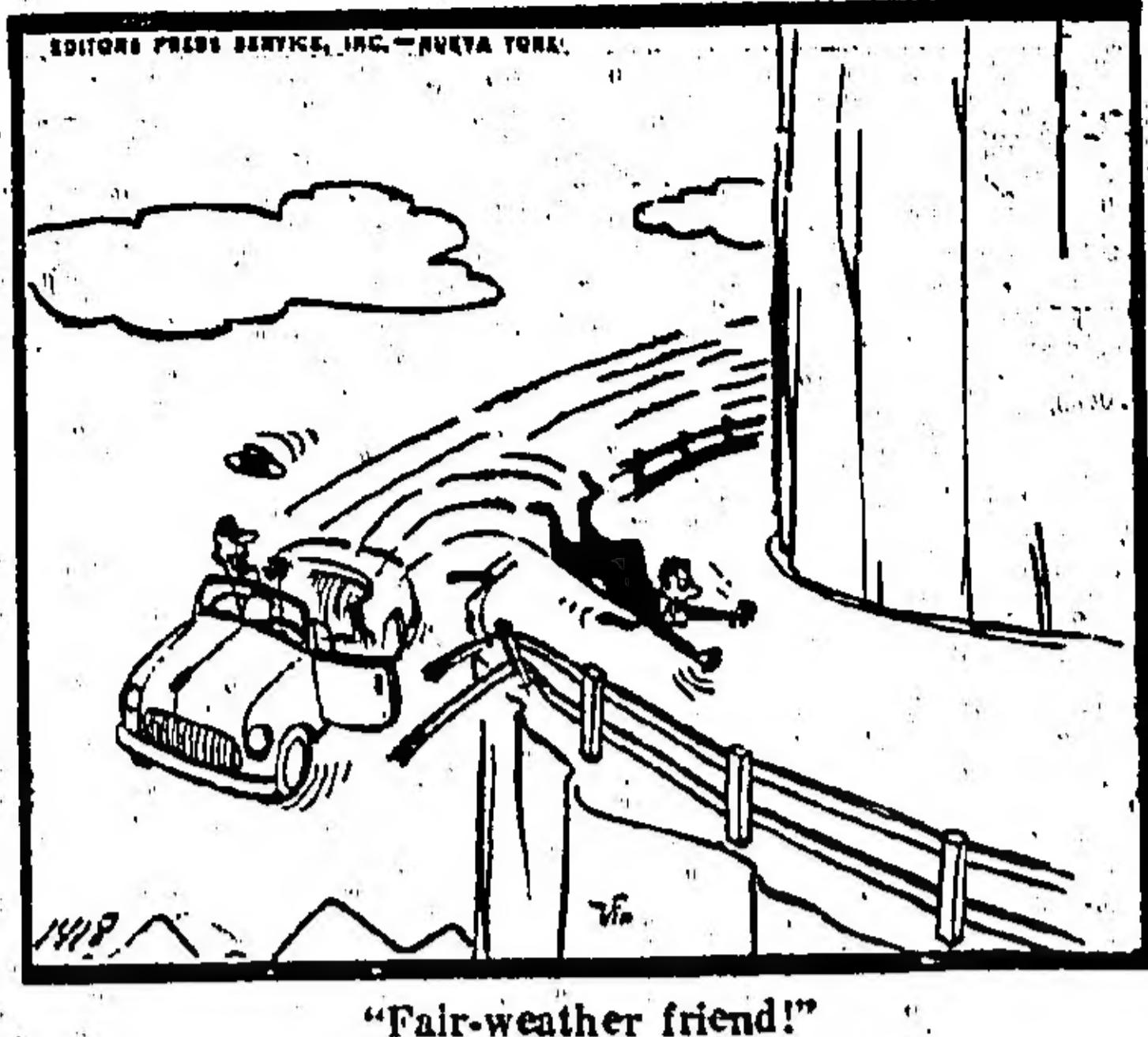
By OSWALD JACOBY

WHEN today's hand was played, East didn't distinguish himself. He should have bid four diamonds instead of letting South steal the hand at three spades.

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West opened the king of clubs against the final contract of three spades. On seeing dummy's menacing club holding, West shifted to a low diamond, and declarer's ace was forced out.

South led a low heart, and East took the ten of hearts, cashed his diamond trick and



"Fair-weather friend!"

YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13

BORN today, you will be very much interested in literature and the arts. In fact, all things of the intellect are more important to you than the acquisition of material wealth and are not as good a business manager as you might be. Money is something you do not care to have—and something to get along without when you haven't. As long as you have your books, you can listen to some good music or walk out in the quiet of nature for free. Life is quite worth living. This philosophy is all right as long as you do not let it interfere with your mate's providing. An early marriage would give you a sense of much-needed responsibility in that regard.

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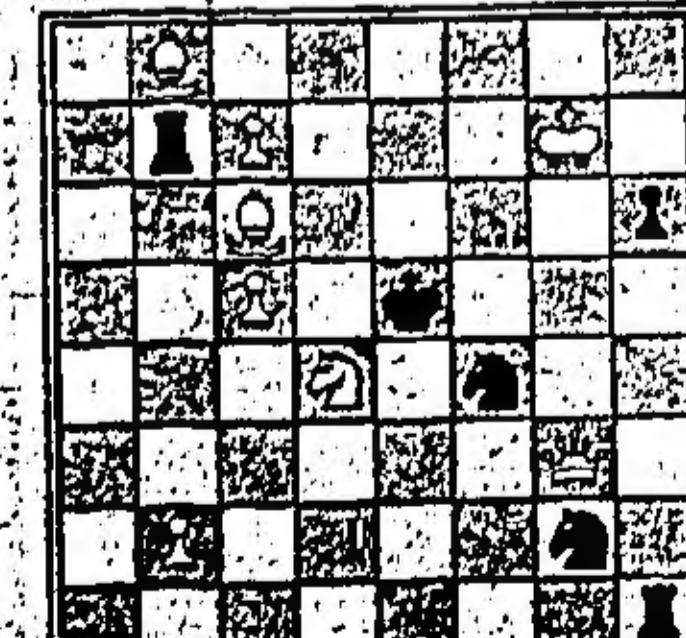
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CHESS PROBLEM

By H. MOSEY

Black, 6 pieces.



White, 8 pieces.

White to play; mate in two.

Solution to yesterday's problem:

1. Kt—R3, any; 2. Q, or R (dbl ch) mates.

DUMB-BELLS



BY THE WAY

By Beachcomber

4. Lockhead Building, Cribbishes, Cribbishes. The staggering announcement that it may soon be possible to grow human whiskers on a man's face probably has one question: Would be advisable in the present circumstances?

I know that I risk being called a reactionary and an enemy of progress, but can it be said, honestly and frankly, that horses, as they are today, are ready for this step forward? Even horses, as we know them, run on the stage of metallic whiskers yet. Finally, what an ass a horse with metallic whiskers would look in one of those sun-hats which make it so difficult to plough the head into the nose-bag.

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In the Sligo train

An article about salutative people in trains leads to me the salutative question: "What's a Sligo passenger in the Sligo train?" "Tell me, now, did you see me get in at Galloons?" "I didn't see you get in, but I never see me before?" "I did not." "Then maybe you'd say how you knew it was myself."

Help the poor motor industry

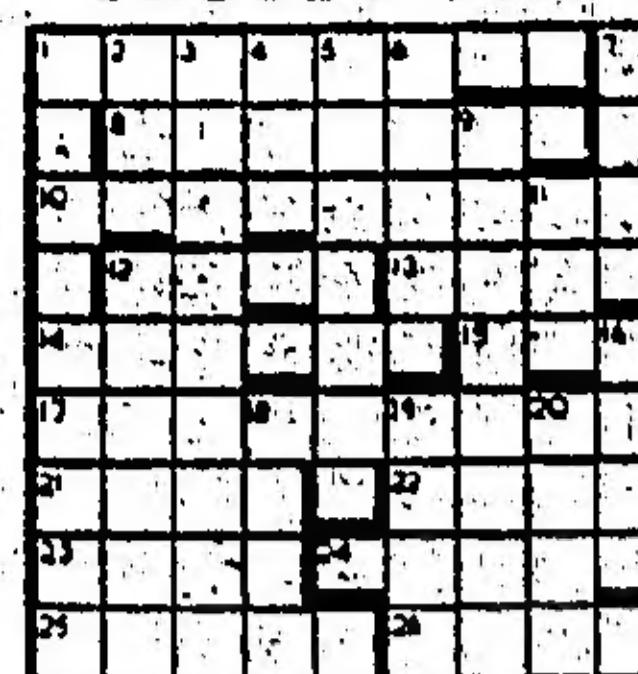
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CROSSWORD



Across
1. The 10th Avenue is sometimes this in red for V.I.P.s. (8)
2. Shady vered. (7)
3. It's not the main reception room. (6)
4. It's often the site of a tiny garden. (4)
5. Lamb. (4)
6. It's sometimes. (6)
7. A dog should be in frame. (9)
8. Early gas for cyclists. (9)
9. Fairy number 10, etc. (4)
10. Candy in this post. (4)
11. Someone with this says just the right thing. (4)
12. To die to; to perchance to dream. (9)
13. They change colour. (4)
Down
1. The motor trade has given these up. (9)
2. Initiate. (8)
3. Home sweet home. (9)
4. It's unusual to have a 2 Down for one. (8)
5. Let's have this on you, superstitious people say. You will be unlucky. (4-3)
6. Some's water supply. (5)
7. Good one may make a fortune. (5)
8. Glimmer. (8)
9. This sounds like the last part of 5 Down. (5)
10. This round is often exhausting. (12)
11. Place for social lions? (4)
12. Twice this is given. (9-5)
13. Set a trap for. (10)
14. A coat of paint. (10)
15. O'ream some times for 10 Down paper. (10)
16. Take this says the order. (4)

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Main Objective

Pixie O'Cop seemed to be doing his main shouting and arguing and whistle-blowing at Willy Toad.

For his part, Willy kept trying to jump on the raft.

CYCLING NOTES

Charlie Ayson's Going Leaves A Gap That Will Be Hard To Fill

By "NTACA"

Our Personality of this week is no longer with us, having at last managed to hop a boat for Home and Civilian life.

Charlie Ayson, (the nickname derived from "Charcoal" in respect for his dusky skin), was one of the more prominent members of the REME team, showing up well in both the Time Trial and Massed Start events, and his going left a gap that will be very hard to fill. He was the Team rider par excellence, with the rare ability to subjugate his desires for individual glory to the benefit of his Team-mates.

An experienced Massed Start rider, he was easy to work with, knew exactly how and when to make his efforts and was perhaps the best in the Colony on corners and fast descents.

Joining the Southwark CC in 1949, he immediately plunged into racing, taking part in every event he could, from Track to Cyclo-Cross, and in 1953 took third place behind Basil Reeves in the London Centre Cyclo-Cross Championship. His entry into Colony cycling came with the Novices Competition of last summer when he quickly showed his ability at the bunches side of the game.

At the commencement of the season proper, he rode for the REME Team which included such stalwarts as Rylands and Hurford, putting up some first-class performances. One of his unrealised ambitions in the Colony was the Twiss Hill Climb record, his best time being only eighteen seconds outside the time put up by Butts. Time Trial performances of 8.1-3 for the "25" and 2.12 for the "50" give an indication of his all round capabilities.

PEDALLING HABITS

Charlie was of the Wilkinson class in his position and pedalling habits, seldom using more than a 77 gear in any race, while his training consisted mainly of three runs a week at a fair pace, covering about 60 miles each outing on a 71 inch fixed gear. In line with most of our Personalities to date, he was a believer in fresh fruit and milk as aids to the Service diet.

International Hockey Series

The following are the fixtures of the Hockey International series:

Ladies' International (Semi-Final): Friday—April 15—5.30 p.m. at Happy Valley, Scotland v England. Umpires: J. B. Goncalves, C. Crebas.

Saturday—April 16—5.30 p.m. at King's Park, Portugal v Commonwealth. Umpires: "U.S." Dillon, Krishan Lal.

Men's International (Semi-Final): Tuesday—April 19—5.30 p.m. at King's Park, Ireland v England. Umpires: P. F. Xavier, J. B. Goncalves.

Wednesday—April 20—5.30 p.m. at Recreio, Portugal v Pakistan. Umpires: Lt. Herberts, C. Crebas.

Umpires are requested to turn up for the above important games and if they are unable to do so, would they please contact Z. A. Abbas at Tel. No. 25607.

LEAGUE FIXTURES

The following are the hockey League fixtures for this Sunday and the following week:

SUNDAY

1st Division: Recreio "B" v "A" at Recreio Ground 3.30 p.m. (Z. A. Abbas & Krishan Lal).

2nd Division

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PORTUGAL'S TEAM

The Men's Hockey International match between Portugal and Pakistan scheduled for April 19, will now be played at Recreio on April 20 commencing at 5.30 p.m.

The following have been selected to represent Portugal on that day—F. Soares, A. L. Nery (capt.), J. A. Soares, D. Castro, W. A. Reed, P. A. Yvanovich, M. Nunes, R. Colaco, A. A. Bernardo, J. C. A. Gutierrez, L. Gutierrez, Re-serves: G. Rosario, J. B. Goncalves, E. Xavier, H. J. Xavier.

HOME RUGGER

London, Apr. 12. Rugby Results today were:

RUGBY LEAGUE

Bramley 22 Castleford 12. Dewsbury 8 Wakefield 21. Featherstone 20 Huddersfield 19. Keighley 23 Batley 18.

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Chelsea's chances of winning the English League Football championship for the first time in their history were improved today by the defeat of their nearest rivals, Wolverhampton Wanderers, the holders of the Trophy.

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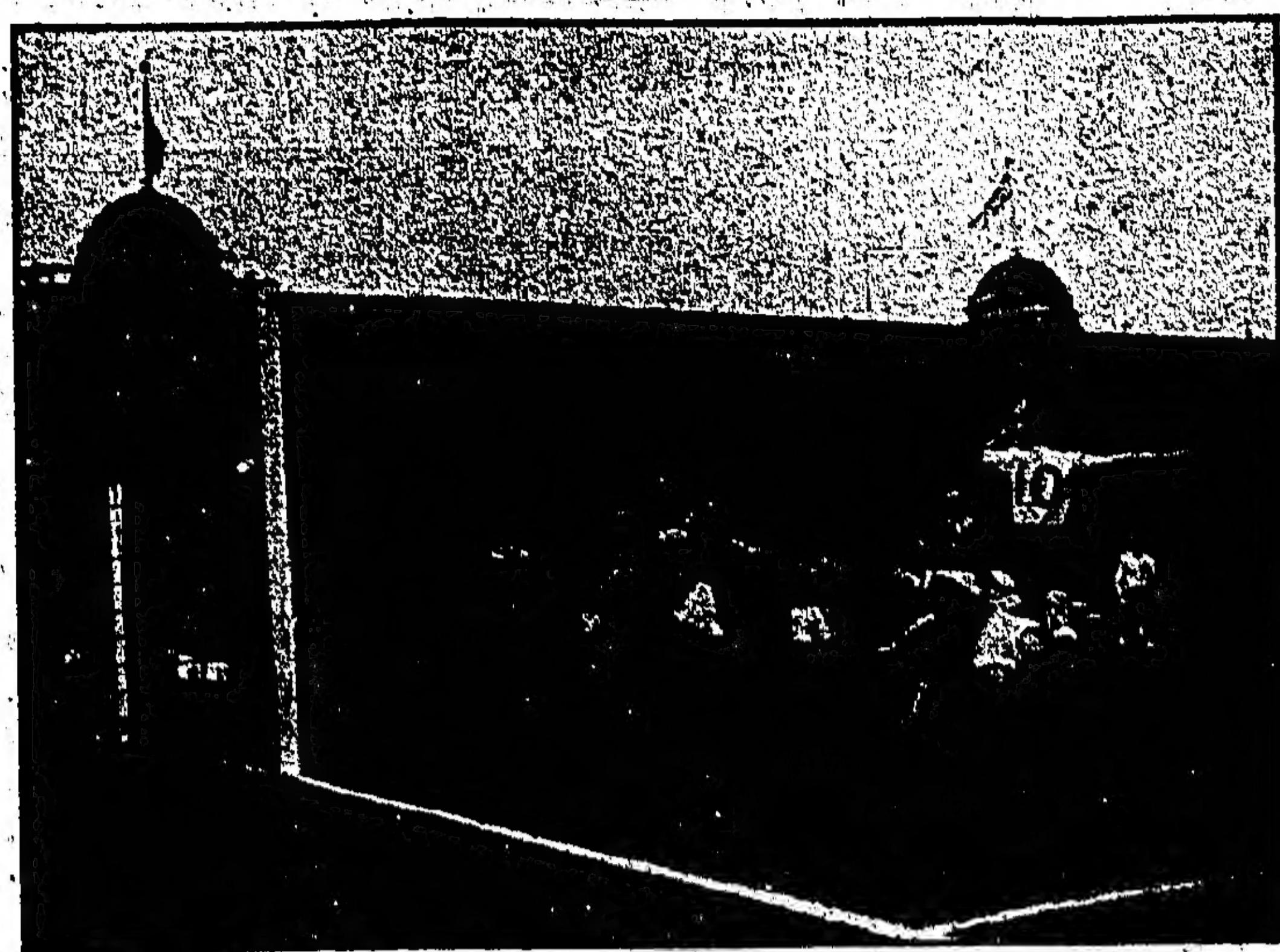
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PILE UP ON THE AGONY



England's inside-left, Wilshaw (No. 10) heads his team's fifth goal, from a corner taken by Stanley Matthews, on extreme left of picture, as Scots goalie Martin dashes back, too late. England went on to win the international soccer match at Wembley by 7 goals to 2. —Reuterphoto.

Saturday's Home Soccer Fixtures

The following are the Home Football League fixtures for Saturday, April 16:

ENGLISH LEAGUE

First Division: Aston Villa v Sheffield U. F. C. Liverpool v Everton. Charlton v Newcastle. Huddersfield v Preston. Portsmouth v Chelsea. Wednesday v Leicester. Sunderland v Preston N.E. Nottingham v Arsenal.

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Almost Sheer Boredom At Badminton Championships

By "TOUCHWOOD"

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Four of the six ties scheduled for play were completed by 9.30 p.m. and with two remaining ties left, to spectators it was a long, long wait.

It is most unfair to competitors, officials and spectators alike to have to wait for over an hour and then to hear from the tournament officials that they had decided to award walkovers as the players concerned failed to turn up for their match.

All this unnecessary waiting could have been avoided had competitors turned up at least 15 minutes before their game.

Last night's matches turned out to be another disappointment as far as good badminton was concerned. With the exception of the Yong Kuen-cheng — A. C. Delgado encounter the other matches were too unbalanced to provide an evening's entertainment.

Yong beat Delgado after a stern struggle, winning at 15-8, 15-6. New Method's George Ma proved far too superior for Pat Gardner who lost in next to no time at 15-1, 15-3.

In the mixed doubles, M. Kan and Mary Wong breezed through a 15-4, 15-3 victory over Brian Douglas and Mrs. S. McCall to enter the quarter-final.

THE RESULTS

Following are the results:

Junior Men's Singles: Junior Men's Doubles: B. Arculli and E. C. Wong beat H. H. Wing and S. Y. Wong 15-9, 15-3.

Junior Mixed Doubles: M. Kan and Mrs. S. McCall 15-4, 15-3. Sui and Mrs. C. Wong beat C. L. Wong and Mrs. S. McCall 15-4, 15-3. Sui and Mrs. S. W. Chan.

TONIGHT'S GAMES

At St Teresa

Junior Men's Singles: 8 p.m. B. Brown v P. C. Chan.

Junior Ladies' Singles: 8.30 p.m. Miss Cinder Ho v Miss B. Hayworth.

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STAMPS ALBUMS — "Collection Builder" series. New stock now available. \$3. From South China Morning Post Ltd., Wyndham Street, Hongkong and Salisbury Road, Kowloon.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

"TELELEPHONE"
Damaged cargo ex this vessel will be surveyed by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas at Holt's Wharf from 10 a.m. on April 14 and 15, 1955, and consignees are requested to have their representatives present during the survey.

BUTTERFIELD & SWINEY,
Agents,
Hong Kong, April 12, 1955.

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'Pill Merchants' Abroad On Australian Roads

Melbourne, Apr. 12.
Tired drivers, doped with benzedrine, and eager to make money quickly are racing unsafe lorries (trucks) along Australia's highways.

These "pill merchants" as regular inter-state transport drivers call them, are the latest feature of Australia's road transport boom.

A decision of the Privy Council, the highest Court of the British Commonwealth, started the boom. The Law Lords ruled that State Government efforts to impose restrictions on inter-state transport were against the letter of the Australian constitution.

SECTION 92
The constitution, in the controversial Section 92 guarantees free trade between States. The Privy Council decided that the effect of the State Government licensing rules was to restrain trade.

The State Government had sought to regulate inter-state transport to prevent competition for the Government-owned railways, which are already losing money, and imposed a rigid system of expensive licences and weight checks to keep road transport down.

But the Privy Council, in a judgment last year which surprised State Governments, declared all these controls void. Within a week, hundreds of extra lorries were out on the roads as inter-state shippers rushed to get their cargo carried by the cheaper and more efficient road transport.

In addition to the legitimate inter-state transport firms, many "fly-by-night" lorry owners rushed their vehicles on to the road to make their profit in the new boom. Many of these men, owner-drivers, had lorries which, in the words of one newspaper correspondent, "gave me the shudders."

Describing how these "fly-by-nighters" had to overload and remorselessly keep going, so that they could make money, this correspondent added: "I've seen drivers come dark-jawed and glittering-eyed into roadside eating houses."

"I've heard other drivers say: 'He's a pill merchant. Six quid a ton, he's trucking for the rate some drivers were offering for loads between Sydney and Melbourne. Recognised hauliers using drivers for reasonable periods at the wheel and making sure that their lorries were safe and not overloaded, were charging £11 a ton.'

SPELLS DANGER
The great increase in heavy road traffic spells dangers for other road-users. Australian experts say.

An international authority, Sir Donald Gainer, of the International Roads Federation agreed with them. During his recent visit to Australia, he toured thousands of miles of main highways and said that most of the main inter-state routes were too narrow.

He suggested that Australia needed four-lane highways between the capitals to cater for the great amount of long distance traffic.

Sir Donald advised that road users, including the transport firms, should join with the Governments concerned to formulate a 10-year plan to re-organise the main roads to accommodate the increase in traffic.

One reason why road transport firms in Australia can offer such keen competition to railways is the change of gauge which breaks many inter-state railway systems, including the heavily-used Sydney-Melbourne route.

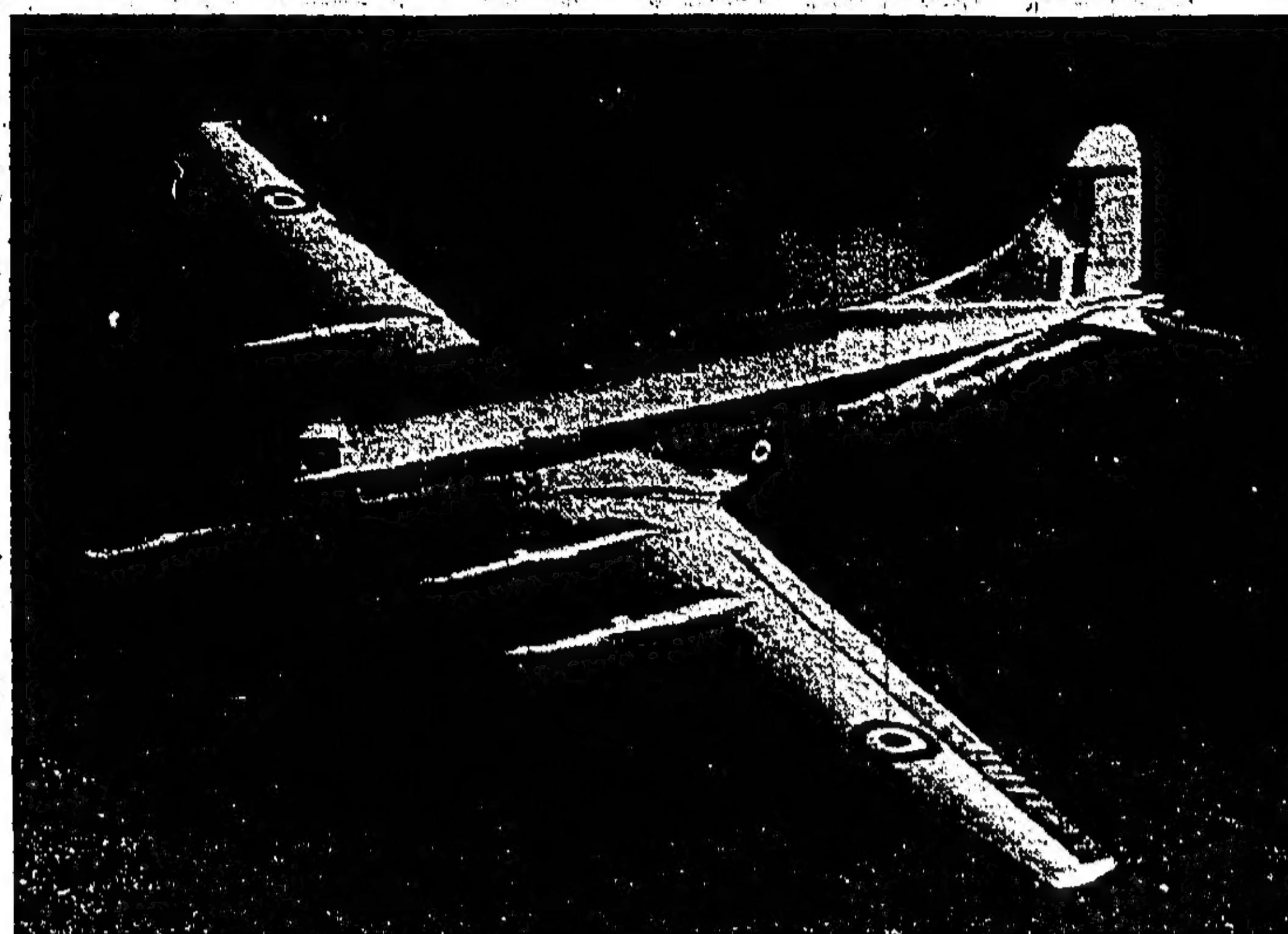
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Railway officials also complain that the railways have heavy capital costs, while road users can run freely between States without having to pay anything for the roads they are using.

State railway chiefs have had several meetings on these problems and are expected to make freight reductions to bring railways into a better competitive position against road transport.

Individual State Governments are drafting laws to establish

Latest Addition To Queen's Flight



PAKISTAN ORDERS V.I.P. VISCOUNT

Titanium Production Being Stepped Up In Great Britain

Vickers-Armstrongs announce that an order has been placed by the Pakistan Government, on behalf of His Excellency the Governor-General of Pakistan, for one Vickers Viscount airliner. This brings the total number of Viscounts ordered to 180.

The order is for a V.I.P. version of the Viscount—the second of its kind. The Government of India has already ordered a V.I.P. Viscount, to be operated by the Indian Air Force.

Accommodation in the Viscount for Pakistan will be provided in three separate saloons.

The forward V.I.P. saloon, or rest-room, will be equipped with two divan beds, two armchair and side tables. A clock, telephone, call buttons and cooling fans will also be provided, as well as indicators for cabin altitude, aircraft altitude and speed.

SEAT SIXTEEN

In the central V.I.P. saloon there will be four abreast seating for sixteen in four aft-facing and twelve forward-facing chairs, with a pullman table between the first and second rows. A clock, telephone, call buttons and cooling fans and the same instruments as in the forward rest-room.

The rear saloon will comprise the servants' quarters, with six seats. Behind this will be a toilet and a galley with a cooker and refrigerator. Forward of the rest-room will be another toilet and wardrobe compartment.

An interesting feature of the V.I.P. Viscount for Pakistan (Type number 734) as with the one for India, is that it will carry full navigational equipment, including a Kelvin and Hughes periscope drift sight, a Mark 4 periscope sextant, air position indicator, and House Payments..."

"This is our combined offer," the advertisement says. "With 25 per cent down payment you receive a home and 1955 can at combined monthly payments of only 145 dollars." — China Mail Special.

Soldier Who Ran Amok Captured

Turin, Apr. 12.

A soldier who ran amok yesterday, killing two persons in a wild shooting spree in the village of Pontecchia, was captured today by a Crabbisher sergeant and handed over to the police authorities.

He is now in gaol in the small town of Camino.

The soldier was still armed with the US-made Garand rifle with which he killed two persons and fatally wounded a third. The sergeant arrested him as he was waiting for a ferry boat to cross the Po River near Camino.

The soldier started running but came to a stop when the Crabbisher fired two pistol shots in the air. For some strange reason, the soldier did not use his rifle but held out his wrists to be handcuffed. — United Press.

For them, healthy competition with freely competitive inter-state freight rates, is an unexpected blessing. — China Mail Special.

Home And Car Package Deal

Miami, Apr. 12.

A building company and a car dealer have come up here with a new "package" in installation buying.

They are offering a new house with a new car in the garage for the down payment and 145 dollars (about £51 sterling) a month.

The house would be at Pompano, 35 miles north of Miami. Advertisements say: "If You Are Presently Paying More Than 150 Dollars (about £53 sterling) Monthly Combined for Your Car and House Payments..."

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MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN

By Lee Falk and Phil Davis



FERD'NAND

By Mik



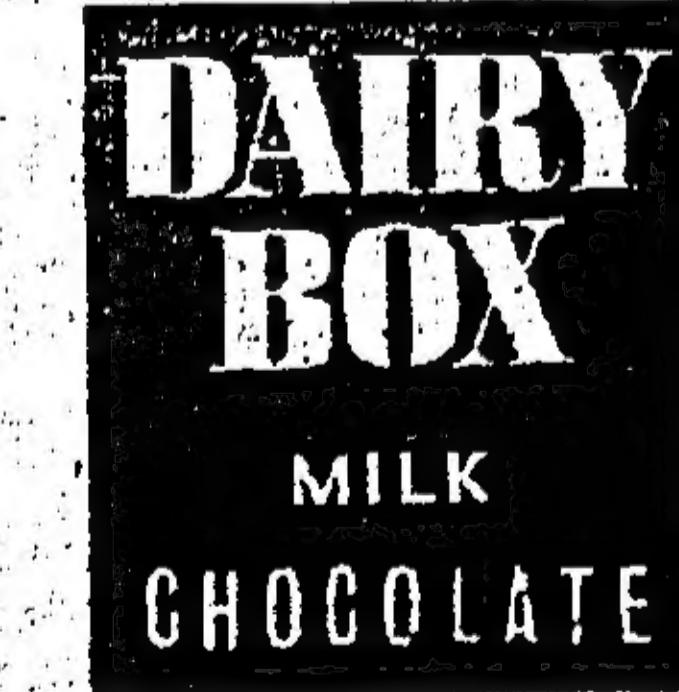
NANCY

By Ernie Bushmiller



JOHNNY HAZARD

By Frank Robbins



6m INDIANS MAY BE BETTER OFF

Geneva, Apr. 12. Five United Nations specialised agencies are joining with three South American Governments to bring a better life to more than 6,000,000 Indians living in the high altitude of the great Andes mountain chain.

The governments concerned are those of Bolivia, Ecuador and Peru. The United Nations Agencies working with them are the International Labour Organisation (ILO), the World Health Organisation (WHO), the Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO), the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO) and the United Nations Technical Assistance Administration (UNATA).

These United Nations Agencies, working with the full co-operation of the three Latin American governments, are bringing to those Indians schools and medical training centres, new breeds of cattle and modern farming equipment, while new highways now link the over-populated high plateaux of the Andes with the luxuriant subtropical valleys and tropical lowlands.

PERCARIOUS LIVING

The story of the work of these agencies in the Andes is a story of how 6,000,000 Andean Indians living in the purified atmosphere of the high altitudes of the mighty mountain chain and who for centuries have tended their rugged flocks and scratched a precarious living from the barren soil, and now being given health, nutrition, housing and education facilities as well as working and social standards which will finally integrate them in the social and economic life of their countries.

Nor have the problems faced by the United Nations team of experts been confined to those already listed.

The experts have to contend with ignorance, poor health, deep-rooted superstition and the ingrained customs of centuries. For example, in one area the World Health Organisation team found the superstition that if a pregnant woman faced a flash of lightning, her child would be born with a hairy lip.

But apart from such problems, the experts had to face experiences which were physically exhausting for them.

DIZZINESS

When they arrived in the upper altitude of the Andes, they found that the reduced oxygen brought on dizziness and digestive disturbances.

Although the sun was hot in daytime, the cold at night or in the shade was intense and often accompanied by high winds. During the early days, the party had to retreat down to the lowlands from time to time to recuperate.

To raise the standard of living of the population, two solutions were open. The first was to set up rural rehabilitation centres on the high plateaux themselves. The second was to bring down the surplus population of the high plateaux to the fertile and sparsely populated valleys.

In many ways, the culture and agriculture of the present day Andean Indians are inferior to that which they practised five centuries ago. The magnificent soil conservation achieved by their ancestors has given way to weary scratching of the once magnificently terraced and ingeniously irrigated mountain-sides.

NUMBER OF FURROWS

The sub-division of holdings in some parts of Peru has reached such proportions that land is now measured in the number of furrows to be left to a son or grandson. An expert of the International Labour Organisation writes, in a report: "The land thus fragmented no longer fulfils its economic and social function. It has become merely a source of embittered boundary disputes."

The work of the five United Nations agencies is divided mainly into four projects. These are the high Plateaux Project of Pilpili, Bolivia, headed by William H. Dillingham, a man-power expert of the International Labour Organisation, from Washington; D. C.; the combined Cochabamba Valley-Santa Cruz Project in Bolivia, headed by Alejandro Gómez, an expert of the Food and Agriculture Organisation, from Costa Rica; the Tumbopata Valley-Puno Plateaux Project in Peru, headed by Emilio Freyre, an expert of the Food and Agriculture Organisation from the United States; and the Quito handicrafts project in Ecuador, which is headed by J. A. Schreuder, a handicrafts specialist of the International Labour Organisation from the Netherlands.

The Regional Director of the Andean Indian Programme is Enrique Sanchez de Lozada, an expert of the International Labour Organisation from Bolivia, who conducts the necessary negotiations with the local governments and coordinates the programme from offices in Lima, Peru—China Mail Special.

TRADE and COMMERCE SECTION

NEW PAPER MILL WILL SAVE NZ MILLIONS Tremendous Benefit To Sterling Area

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET

New Highs Reached

New York, Apr. 12. Stocks soared to new highs today on top quality rail and industrial leadership.

The industrial and rail groups each rose more than 2 points, on average—industrials to a new all-time peak and rails to their best level since March 29, 1930.

Demand, moderate but selective through most of the session, heightened and expanded near the close, lifting prices to the day's best levels. The late activity centred on rails—New York Central and Pennsylvania, in particular.

Sales, which had trailed yesterday up until 2 p.m., increased to 2,770,000 shares, best of the month, compared with 2,580,000 yesterday.

Early demand centred in stocks of the drug companies working with the Salk polio vaccine as the experiment was pronounced "safe, effective and potent." Early gains ranged from a point to 3 points in Parke Davis, Merck, American Home Products.

SHADED LATER

These were shaded later, however, when the Health, Education, and Welfare Department postponed plans to license the sale of the vaccine today in order to give experts more time to study the report. American Home had 2½ points of its rise, but Merck moved off nearly a point and Parke Davis ½ point.

The last two were among the day's most active issues.

On the other hand, aircraft shares strengthened near the close as news came of a proposed investigation into the industry's profits from Government contracts.

Bethlehem paced the steels, climbing 2½ points on an optimistic report at its annual meeting.

The late push in rails lifted prices in the group as much as 3 points in Delaware and Hudson.

Utilities had their share of good gainers with a 2-point rise in American Gas and a point gain in Panhandle Eastern.

The New York Stock Exchange bond volume was \$3,830,000.

The American Stock Exchange volume was 940,000 shares. Dow Jones closing averages today were as follows:

YESTERDAY'S PRICES

Alden, Inc. Acy. \$2024

Allied Chemicals 1024

American Airline 2024

American Metal 57

American Smelting & Refining Co. 5014

American Tobacco Co. "B" 6814

Anacunda Copper 6514

Armco Steel 7714

Armour & Company 1914

Bedford & Ohio 4514

Bendix Aviation Corp. 6014

Benguet Cons. 1114

Bell Telephone Co. 120

Boeing Airplane 7024

Canadian Pacific Railway 3024

Case (J. L.) Co. 2024

Chrysler Motor Co. 4024

Commercial Credit 4814

Commonwealth Elec. 3914

Consolidated Edison 4824

Continental Steel 2314

Crane Co. 43

Cuban American Sugar 1714

Curtis Wright 1714

Diamond Shamrock 7814

Goodrich (B. F.) Co. 6614

Goodyear Tire & Rubber 6114

Homestake Mining Co. 4314

International Machines 420

International Harvester 4714

International Nickel 6414

International Paper Co. 2714

John Manville Co. 28

Kennecott Copper 1214

Lake Shore Aircraft 48

Lake trout Co. 1814

Lake States Cement Co. 5814

Minnesota Mining 90

Montgomery Ward 1214

National Distillers 21

National Lead 6314

New York Central & St. L. 2714

Oil Refining Co. 5614

Standard Oil Co. 614

Sinclair Oil 5314

Southern Railway (Com.) 3014

Standard Oil of California 7914

Standard Oil of Indiana 4414

Standard Oil of New Jersey 11414

Studebaker Corp. 12

Swift & Co. 4914

Texas Co. 4314

Union Carbide 6314

Union Pacific Railway 1714

U.S. Gypsum 2314

U.S. Line Co. 2214

United States Smelting 2214

Western Pipe Glass 6814

Westinghouse Electric 7714

Woolworth 49

US FIRMS WILL SAVE

NZ MILLIONS

Tremendous Benefit To Sterling Area

New sounds are echoing to-day through the central North Island's huge man-made Kaingaroa Forest.

The thud of axes and the whine of electric saws drown the whisperings of the wind in the treetops as foresters fell tall pines in their thousands in preparation for the opening in July of New Zealand's most ambitious project—the Tasman Pulp and Paper Company's £16,000,000 newsprint mill at Kawerau.

Auckland, Apr. 12.

The Tasman Company has

began to harvest logs from the

150-square-mile forest of North

American pines to build a

stockpile to meet the voracious

appetite of the fourth largest

newsprint-making machine in

the world.

The most modern logging

equipment is being used by the

lumbermen, who will number

350, when the mill gets under

way.

Some 33 miles of high-grade

logging highways have been com-

pleted in the forest. Along these,

10-ton lorries are carrying the

raw timber to the railhead at

Murupara, whence it is taken

to the mill site, 45 miles away.

TOTAL COST

The total cost of the Kawerau

scheme will be £26,000,000.

The New Zealand Government

has provided £12,000,000 for

electricity supplies, roads, rail-

ways and a new deep-water

port to handle export products.

Output from the Tasman

Company's 300-acre plant will

total each year 75,000 tons of

newsprint, 36,800 tons of sub-

stance pulp and 72,000,000 board

feet of timber. Much of the

output will be shipped to Aus-

tralia and Britain.

The Tasman Company has

recruited skilled staff from

Australia, Britain, Canada, Fin-

land and Sweden. These ex-

ports are now training New

Zealanders in the latest news-

print and pulpmaking tech-

niques.

A leading London manufac-

turer of newsprint and pulp,

who will subscribe £1,500,000

of the necessary £26,000,000

capital, has joined the Tasman

JOHN CLARKES
CASEBOOK

Two For London

THE two women sat next to each other in the Midlands factory, and a slow-moving assembly line fed their hands with work to do, but there was nothing for their minds to feed upon.

So they sat, through the hours, through the days, Hilda and her neighbour Jean, and a hundred others, whose nimble-fingered dexterity matched in precision the machine they served.

When the assembly slowed and stopped, Hilda and Jean sought their relaxation together, and at such times Hilda did all the talking, and Jean listened.

A GUIDE

HILDA enthralled her friend with tales of past adventure, and to Jean the best stories of all that Hilda told were those whose scene was London.

Jean had never been to London. The thought of the great, distant city at once scared and excited her. She longed to go there, but not without a guide. When Hilda offered to fill that role, Jean could have wept for joy.

"We'll get out of this dump," Hilda said, waving an arm that embraced the whole of the grimy Midlands city. "We'll go to London together. You can get on fast there, when you know the ropes. I do—and you."

YOU HAVE A WALK

THEY arrived at Euston. Two pale women in their middle thirties, in head-scarves and worn overcoats. The brain of one was whirled with excitement at setting foot in London; the brain of the other was coolly planning almost immediate departure.

"Now I'm going to see a friend about some digs," Hilda said to Jean. "You have a bit of a walk around—here, we'll put your case in the left luggage."

She grabbed her friend's suitcase, which contained all that Jean possessed in the world, gave it in at the left-luggage office—and herself kept the receipt for it.

SEE YOU SOON

"SEE you here, then, in a couple of hours," Hilda said. Jean nodded and set off to explore the fabulous town. As soon as she was out of sight, Hilda withdrew her friend's luggage, and made off in another direction.

It was several days before the police caught up with Hilda and how they did it, they kept to themselves. But they found her on Tyneside, still missing Jean's case, and they brought her back to London.

At the Clerkenwell court, Hilda pleaded guilty to the sultice and its contents, valued by Jean at £30.

"This woman has been before courts six times," said an officer to Mr. Frank Powell, the magistrate.

BACK AGAIN

HE began to list Hilda's crimes. Jean was shown into the witness-box. "Did you know your friend's record?" the magistrate asked her.

Jean shook her head. The magistrate turned again to Hilda. "Where are you proposing to live, when you're at liberty again?" he asked.

"I'm going back to my mother in Wales," Hilda said.

"Is she willing to have you? Does she know about your criminal record?"

"Yes," Hilda answered.

"I don't know what to do with you," said the magistrate. "You've been bound over three times; you've been to Borstal and prison—but you've no convictions for six years. Behaviour like this deserves a very long sentence." He paused and sighed.

"You will be remanded in custody for a week," he said. "We'll see if your mother will have you home."

Hilda turned and went towards the cells. Jean was given back her case, then she, too, left, and trudged with it north towards the station, to catch a train back to the humdrum, workaday Midlands—to escape from the cruel city.

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BEVAN WILL GET CABINET POST If Labour Wins Elections

Montreal, Apr. 12.

Mr Clement Attlee, leader of the British Labour Party, told a press conference here yesterday it was certainly possible that Mr Aneurin Bevan, whose opposition to Mr Attlee almost split the British Labour Party, would be given a Cabinet post if the Party won the next election.

Replying to queries about Mr Bevan, who recently apologised for defying Mr Attlee's policies in the House of Commons, Mr Attlee said: "Mr Bevan is a full member of the Labour Party."

He also said: "I think it's useful for people in politics in different Commonwealth countries to move about and exchange ideas and get to know one another better."

He reiterated earlier declarations of policy regarding the admission of Communist China to the United Nations as the "effective" government of that country.

"If I talk of Canada I talk of Canada and not of Prince Edward Island," he said in a reference to the comparatively small territory of Formosa held by the Chinese Nationalists.

Mr Attlee expressed cautious approval of the "conference at the summit" idea often advocated by Sir Winston Churchill as an avenue of peace.

COULD BENEFIT

"A broad talk" among leaders of the United States, Britain and Soviet Union "on really urgent issues" could result in great benefit, he said.

Asked about likely issues in the British election, Mr Attlee said the main one would be whether the Socialist idea of "fair shares for all" was to be followed or whether private enterprise would be "the first consideration."

Mr Attlee was entertained by Major Jean Dupont at a civil dinner last night. He leaves for Port Arthur, Ontario, where he will deliver the first talk of the tour that will cover Canada from Victoria to Glace Bay, Nova Scotia.

He will go to Washington to meet President Eisenhower on April 24—Reuter.

Austrian Treaty

ROOM FOR OPTIMISM

Washington, Apr. 12.

The Secretary of State, Mr John Foster Dulles, said today there seemed to be some grounds for optimism that an Austrian state treaty might be signed soon—judging from the statements by the Soviet:

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SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"The experts say we women are going to be weak and feminine this year!"

STEALING PLEA NOT ACCEPTED Robbery Aboard Sampan Accusation

The story of a robbery on board a sampan at the Causeway typhoon shelter in the early hours of February 20 last was told when Siu Kin, alias Siu Tsai, 24, an unlicensed hawker appeared on trial before Judge A. D. Scholes in the Victoria District Court this morning.

It is alleged that accused, together with two others not in custody, robbed Lai Hing of \$62.

Accused pleaded guilty to stealing which the Prosecuting officer, Insp. K. Bodie refused to accept.

Outlining the case for the Crown, Insp. Bodie said that the complainant (Lai Hing), employed as a fold in a shop in Kowloon crossed the harbour about 10.30 p.m. on February 19 and met an alleged prostitute by appointment at the Causeway Bay typhoon shelter.

The two went on board a sampan owned by a woman Leung Shui-ying, and before turning in, the complainant handed his wrist watch to the prostitute for safe-keeping.

Insp. Bodie said that the sampan mistress would say that about 1.45 a.m. the accused, together with two other men, came on board her vessel and asked for money if there were any.

Accused was identified as the complainant's husband, a registered articles are generally one hour earlier than the times shown below. Particulars regarding paragraphs can be ascertained by enquiry at the post office.

Customer would state that shortly afterwards they were awakened by the three intruders who claimed they were Marine Police officers on a search patrol.

TWICE SLAPPED

Insp. Bodie said the accused took complainant's jacket which he searched. He also took the wrist watch.

At this stage the accused asked the complainant to give him the jacket, whereupon becoming suspicious complainant demanded to see the accused's identity card.

Accused became angry and slapped complainant twice on the face. Complainant was also told to "shut up."

After the accused had taken complainant's jacket, the complainant asked for his fare back to Kowloon saying that that was all the money he had.

A sum of \$4 was handed back to the complainant by the accused who also returned the watch at the same time.

ALLEGED THREAT

Before leaving the sampan the accused told the prostitute to keep the complainant on the vessel and not to let him report to the Police "otherwise some one will die."

Complainant remained on the sampan until 6.30 a.m. when he returned to his shop in Kowloon. "After thinking things over complainant reported to the Police at about 12.15 p.m." said Insp. Bodie.

The accused was arrested the following day and in answer to the charge made a statement to the Police.

HEROIN IN RUBBER BALL

Suspecting a man who was playing with a rubber ball in Square Street last Friday, police constables searched him, and found inside the ball 17 packets of heroin.

The refreshments were supplied by a local firm but were checked on loading by the steward of the aircraft.

NOTHING ELSE

The passengers were brought to the airport by airline motor bus and exceptionally were taken straight to the plane without passing through Customs or immigration.

Similarly without passing through Customs, the baggage was loaded direct onto the plane under the supervision of Air India.

Nothing else whatsoever was loaded on to the plane.

The plane took off at about 1.28 p.m. (Hongkong Time) without incident.

Police watch at the time and subsequent detailed enquiries have revealed nothing suspicious.

The likelihood of anything having been planted in the aircraft at Hongkong is therefore extremely remote but a full investigation is being made by the Police.

Boy Stabbed To Death

Wigan, Apr. 12.

Police today were searching for a fair-haired "foreigner" after the stabbing of a boy of 10-year-old boy was found in a cobbled back alley near here last night. The boy, Norman Yates, was found by a butcher's wife only a few yards from his home at Lower Inch. He had been to buy some sugar from an aunt.

The County coroner's police, headed by Colonel T. M. St. John Johnson, Chief Constable, conducted an inquest yesterday.

They found the boy had been stabbed in the back, and the knife had passed through his heart.

Eager groups of fishermen and merchants were waiting this morning in the hope that the whale would soon be cut up and sold.

Film Star Married

Tangier, Apr. 12.

French-born film actress Camille Calvet married American actor Jeffrey Stone in the American Consulate here—United Press.

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2-Storey LRC Clubhouse Laying Foundation Stone Tomorrow

The Ladies Recreation Club's new two-storey, all-white clubhouse is expected to be opened in June, the President, Mrs. D. L. Prophet said today.

She will lay the foundation stone at a brief ceremony for members tomorrow evening but the new building is already taking shape behind a framework of wooden scaffolding on the site of a former club tennis court just below May Road.

When it is completed—five months after building began—it will be the new home for the club's 900 members and will mark the first stage of an ambitious long-term programme to expand and extend the LRC's existing sporting activities.

The new clubhouse, which has been financed by contributions from club members, firms and a loan from the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, will, when completed, be one of the biggest in the Colony.

Main feature of the new building is a large central hall, 30 feet high which can be used as a badminton court, dance floor, or a "cinema theatre."

Skirting the central hall area will be a raised main floor where members will be able to sit and watch the badminton games or films. On this floor will be the long bar 20 feet from end to end and opposite, the men's changing rooms, while a long, open veranda, will overlook two tennis courts and the club's swimming pool.

Above this is the first floor in the form of a large gallery overlooking the central hall. Here is the dining room, the kitchen and pantry, offices, library and "ladies" changing room and another wide glassed-in veranda above the courts.

SUN BALCONY

Above it is a spacious sun balcony which has already been tentatively marked as a good spot for the club's barbecue parties.

In the dining room, members will be able to order snacks or three-course meals prepared by a caterer.

The accent, however, will be on providing wholesome, inexpensive meals and the club committee hope the idea of a "swim and a snack" in the torrid summer months will prove popular.

Outside the new clubhouse and in another plot formerly occupied by a tennis court are parking spaces for 32 cars. The tiny clubhouse which has been the LRC headquarters since it was opened in about 1915 will be turned over to junior members eventually.

LAWNS, PLAYGROUNDS

The LRC has lost two courts with the building operations but has gained three new ones on top of the new filter beds above Garden Road.

Ultimately the existing clubhouse and the servants' quarters will be removed to allow space for lawns and playgrounds near the pool.

After there are plans to build a skittle alley, a tennis court and to provide light tennis under floodlight. But all that is sometime in the future and present plans for this development are really no more than conjecture.

Essentially the club's aim is, as Mrs. Prophet said, to provide as many sporting facilities as possible.

"The idea is to get as much under one roof as we can," she added.